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"Prosperity or Poverty?"

The Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, a reputable and influential trade journal, which has the interests of the south at heart, publishes a number of letters in its issue of last week from men identified with the material conditions of that section. The symposium is headed "Prosperity or Poverty—Which?" Every one of these men are opposed to the election of Bryan. They are men of no political ambition. They are not office-seekers. They do not depend for their support upon the result of elections. Nevertheless, because of their opportunities for observation of the trend of events, because of their training to business methods and because of the diversity of their interests, they are in a position to gauge accurately the possibilities of tendencies in national politics, and the expression of their opinions is representative of the sentiment of the substantial element in the south which recognizes the folly of adhering strictly to party, whatever absurdity the party organization may be guilty of.

Colonel J. B. Killebrew, of Nashville, Tennessee, who is one of the writers, at one time commissioner of agriculture of that state, and who is now one of the leading and most potent factors in the advancement of the agricultural interests of that state, and, in fact, of the whole south, voted for Bryan and free silver in 1896, but he gives his reasons now why he cannot do so again. He says: "A financial policy that has proven a success in practice should not be changed for untried theories that may drag our most flourishing industries down into a common welter of ruin. To change one system for another when no positive benefit can be assured by the change is a great folly and a great evil. The present financial system of the country is not perfect by any means, but is more satisfactory to all business men, including even the farmers and the mechanics, than any other system that has ever been put in operation in the United States. We cannot afford to hazard our present prosperity for a problematic or visionary prosperity. The people of the south are building up their industries with more rapidity than has ever been known in the industrial history of any country. When one recalls the fact that within the past four years, under a sound and uniform currency, the production of pig iron in the south has grown from 1,834,451 tons to 2,500,000 tons; that the output of coal has been increased from 21,433,884 short tons to 43,000,000 tons;

that the number of cotton spindles has been swelled from 3,851,991 in 1897 to over 5,000,000 in 1899; that the wages paid factory hands in the south now reach over \$350,000,000, as against \$222,118,505 in 1890—looking at these figures it seems to me that it is the height of folly, and it savors of industrial suicide, to grab at the shadow offered by the new Democratic party and risk the loss of the substance we are now enjoying."

Testimony of a Soldier.

The detractors of the administration who are attempting to form a sentiment of opposition to the present policy toward the Philippines, know nothing of the situation in the islands, and those who are prone to listen to their slanders, and their bitter language when speaking of our soldiers, would better heed the testimony of those who are on the ground and know what they are talking about. Many of these soldiers who were Democrats when they went into the army, have been driven into the Republican party by the misrepresentations of the Democracy and the clamor for the withdrawal of our troops and the senseless iteration of "imperialism." One of these soldiers is quoted as saying: "Those brave men fought, bled and some of them died not alone to wrest that archipelago from the cruel grasp of Spain, but when Spanish dominion was at an end they still fought bravely and fearlessly on, that our flag might be respected and that insurrection should not exist within the territory of the United States. Those men all believed in the righteousness of the cause for which they fought; believed that this rich group of islands should be taken from Spain, and that once taken the stars and stripes should float over the entire archipelago freely and without hindrance. They fought there in that belief, and gave their blood for it. They have returned home with that belief as firm as when they waged war under a tropical sky, and wherever one of them is there will be found an upholder of the Philippine policy of the administration, one who will talk of it in an inspired way to his family, friends and neighbors, and preach the gospel of Republicanism wherever his influence and voice reach. It will tell on election day, for those thousands of returned soldiers are thousands of earnest and active workers in behalf of the party that will hold that which they gave of their youth and health and strength to secure, and will be unalterably and actively opposed to the party which, if it gains the reins of government, will give away in dishonor that for which the Philippine army gave so much in honor."

The Paramountcy of Silver.

With their enfeebling cry of "militarism" and "imperialism," the Bryanites are shaking hands with themselves in the hope of capturing the German-American vote for their insincere candidates. The sooner they awaken from that delusion the better will it be for them. The other day the Hon. Frank Jones, formerly member of the Democratic national committee from New Hampshire, declared that he would support McKinley, on the ground that the only issue was national honesty or dishonesty in monetary matters, and adding: "The attempt to make the issue of imperialism seems to me to be an effort to force to the front a political quarrel as to what this country ought to do there, four or five years from now, when everybody agrees as to what it ought to do now. Porto Rico is our territory, Cuba is to be delivered over to the Cubans shortly and as to the Philippines, Mr. Bryan does not propose to bring our army and navy away from those islands immediately any more than Mr. McKinley does."

This expression seems to strike Mr. Oswald Ottendorfer, the editor of the New York Staats Zeitung about right, for he agrees with Mr. Jones' contention about the silver issue being paramount, and scents the present danger of "imperialism." He does so in the following interview which appeared in the New York World:

"While German-Americans dread imperialism more than anything else they have an idea that it will take years to inculcate imperialistic notions of our government. They also think that the most rabid expansionists will not dare go too far. But with free silver it is different. German-Americans always feel uneasy when the financial question is before the country. They are a saving people, and the uncertainty of the value of their savings is bound to agitate them. They insist upon a dollar of any kind of money being worth 100 cents—no more and no less."

This affords the New York Sun an opportunity to remark:

That is, these German-Americans, like sensible citizens generally, will vote on the real and immediate issues, and not on an imaginary issue of the possible future. They are more reasonable than Mr. Ottendorfer himself, for he says that he will vote for neither McKinley nor Bryan, though he acknowledges that the only real and serious issue of the campaign is between them.

Mr. Ottendorfer may be willing to throw away his vote at the election or to withhold it, but citizens of common sense, whether they are of German stock or any other, will cast their votes, and so cast them that they will tell on the result. Talk like his was common in the summer of 1896, but when November came there was less neglect of the suffrage than ever before in our history, and the votes thrown away were relatively few. Even the Prohibition ticket received only one-half of the number is obtained in 1892.

General Business Situation.

While the dull season is at hand the general business situation in the country is in very good shape. There are encouraging aspects in the iron and steel trade which were not discernible the previous week, and the indications of a revival of business in this line are not lacking. "The lower level of prices," says Henry Clews in his weekly review of business conditions, "has brought many inquiries from abroad covering a range of material from pig iron to the most highly finished steel products, pointing to an early increase in an already flagging foreign trade."

The stock market, while it has been relatively dull, has shown unexpected strength through strong inside support and dividend rumors. "Money," says Mr. Clews, "is easy now, but higher rates are in prospect as soon as the regular crop and trade requirements assert themselves. Crop reports, while conflicting, are generally favorable, and the injury done has been amply discounted. The agricultural classes as a rule are prosperous. Labor is well employed, though in some cases wages are lower than the unusual level of last

year. Both the iron and textile industries are gradually settling down to a more normal basis, and with a subsequent revival of the demand will reach a more reasonable and therefore more substantial basis of prosperity. Unless the Chinese difficulties assume more serious proportions good stocks will be a purchase on all sharp declines and profits should be accepted on good rallies."

The Clarksburg Telegram in its issue of last week, says that "it was universally conceded that the administration of J. Russell Trotter, the present superintendent of schools, has been clean, honest and efficient, saving thousands of dollars to the people of the state, and no member of the present administration is more popular than he is; but the conduct of that office under Thomas C. Miller, the Republican nominee, as his successor, will be equally as clean, efficient and honest. There is no better educator in the state and no one possessing a higher degree of qualification for the office than the latter." All of which the Intelligencer heartily endorses.

The confirmation of the message stating that the legislators were safe July 20, does not rob the situation of anxiety and the fact that they were sorely pressed. In the light of the statement that the relief column would not start until the middle of August, the prospects of their eventual success are not very assuring.

That expatriated American, William Waldorf Astor, whose sympathy has distinguished British aristocracy, has been forced to apologize through his paper, by the Prince of Wales, for his reflections on Sir Berkeley Milne, Thanks, Prince, Rub it in again.

Eugene V. Debs, candidate for President on the Socialist-Labor ticket, denies most emphatically the report that he has withdrawn, and intimates that the report was of Democratic origin, where the wish was father to the thought.

The admirers of Adlai Stevenson, who has been mentioned with Mr. Bryan in a subordinate sense, are thinking of getting up a Knights of the Golden Circle campaign club.

A Democratic speaker has compared the Kansas City platform to hickory, that will bend and not break. He is eminently right—it does bend with a vengeance.

In accepting the nomination for vice president on the Republican ticket, Governor Roosevelt gives up a \$10,000 job for one that only stands for \$3,000.

Senator Scott has taken up his end of the campaign work and will be located for three months and a half at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York.

The New York Sun, without fear of future punishment, calls Bryan a "camera farmer." The Sun's focus is all right.

The meeting of the Republican executive committee at Parkersburg today will be fraught with interest to the party.

The emperor of Japan very wisely refused to enter into an alliance with China against the powers.

It is a matter of pride that the American soldiers refused to participate in the looting of Tien Tsin.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

Love is one part instinct and nine parts imagination. Somehow a woman can always understand the sentimental things a man never says.

No man can bear to refuse a girl who takes it for granted at the start that he is going to accept her.

The first thing an engaged girl does is to plan the baby's clothes; then she goes to work on her trousseau to fill in the time.

When a girl begins to take an interest in the cigars a man smokes it is time for him either to quit smoking or to make love to some other girl.—New York Press.

He Was After a License.

He was a bronzed youth and a cute little pink madras bow peeped from his rubber collar. He entered one of the many rooms in the city hall and walked up to the desk.

"We want to get married," he greeted, "and I hope you won't give us away before things are straightened out."

The gentleman behind the desk looked up.

"Going to get married, eh?"

"Yes, sir; just as soon as we can get a parson."

"From the country?"

"Just got in this morning, and the old man is hot on the trail."

"Whose old man?"

"Em's old man."

"Then you must be runaways?"

"Just that, way! You see, Em's old man ain't got no particular love for me and told it down in the river store that he kept two dogs always trained on me."

"But love will find a way."

"Yes, but the cowshed was the way. I met Em down there every sunset and yesterday she said she loved me enough to fly."

"Then I suppose you flew?"

"Flew? Why, man, we made for the station like the wind. Just had time to catch the train, too."

"I suppose her father gave chase?"

"Oh, he came down in a sulky, but the train was out of sight."

"Then you are safe?"

"Safe nothing! Her old man is just the one to heat up the wires and messes. Reckon the detectives are bound this way. How much is the license?"

The gentleman behind the desk looked puzzled.

"Who told you to come in here for a license?"

"Why, a man out in the hall."

"Well, you should go out there and challenge him to a duel."

"Why, ain't this the place to get a marriage license?"

"No; this is the place to get a dog license.—Chicago Record.

The amateur detective is as humorous a character as any of Shakespeare's clowns, or even old Dogberry himself. He finds the most astounding clues, and generally follows them until he brings up about as far away from the solution of the mystery as mortal well may be. But the specialist in the detection of crime, Sherlock Holmes, is a man who reads clues, as the Indian reads a trail. Every step he takes is a step to success.

It's much the same way in the detection of disease. While the amateur is blundering along over misleading symptoms, the specialist goes right to the real cause and puts an arresting hand upon the disease. It is in such a way that Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., succeeds in hunting out and arresting diseases, where the less experienced practitioners fail. More than thirty years of special study and experience have enabled Dr. Pierce to read symptoms as easily and as truly as the Indian reads a trail which is without a hint for a less acute vision than his. Any sick person can consult Dr. Pierce by letter absolutely without charge. Each letter is read in private and answered in private. Its contents are held as sacredly confidential. It is answered with fatherly feeling as well as medical skill and the reply is sent sealed in a perfectly plain envelope, that there may be no third party to the correspondence. Thousands have taken the first step to health by writing to Dr. Pierce. No writer ever regretted writing. Ninety-eight in every hundred treated have been positively cured. If you are afflicted with any old obstinate ailment write to-day, you will be one day nearer health. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

A pretty and wealthy young widow is never a-miss.

The more a boy expects the less he seems to acquire.

The strange relations of the rich man are usually poor.

It never hurts the truly brave man if you call him a coward.

A hair-raising story delights the heart of the bald-headed man.

Two heads may be better than one over an important newspaper article.

Usually the path of the budding genius is pretty well strewn with thorns.

A baby is a rose without thorns. The thorns gradually appear as it reaches maturity.

The effeminate young man and the manly young woman are more to be pitied than censured.

As long as a man is of a forgiving disposition a woman doesn't care whether he pays his debts or not.

It is said that dogs speak with their tails. If this be true a short-tailed dog must be a stump speaker.

The foolish little moth seems to have a mania for the bright side of things, and you have doubtless observed his finish.

The St. Louis lawyer who willed his estate to a lunatic asylum probably wanted his former clients to get the benefit of it.—Chicago Daily News.

Profanity Before a Female.

Southeastern Reporter: Parks vs. State—supreme court of Georgia. Joe Parks was accused of using profane language in the presence of a female. From a judgment of the superior court affirming conviction he brings error. Reversed.

While the evidence in this case amply supported a finding that the accused used the language charged in the accusation, it was not sufficient to authorize a finding that when he used the same he knew that a female was within hearing, or that he used the same under circumstances that he must have known this fact. It is true the language was used on a public road, near a dwelling house, and that a female was in the house and heard the language, but it does not appear that the accused knew who constituted the members of the household of the man who owned the house. Taking the evidence as a whole, it did not warrant the conviction of the accused of the offense charged in the accusation. Judgment reversed. All the justices concurring except Fish, J., absent on account of sickness.

The Bryan Foreign Policy.

New York Journal of Commerce: The only reference to affairs in China that we can find in the Kansas City platform is the denunciation of the policy which has involved the United States "in so-called world politics, including the diplomacy of Europe, and the intrigue and land-grabbing of Asia, and we especially condemn the ill-conceived Republican alliance with England." If this means anything at all it means a condemnation of the administration for sending troops to China to rescue American citizens, and if it be too late for that, at least to restore order and conditions under which our commerce can be carried on. The Bryan foreign policy, then, would leave China to butcher American officials and private citizens and destroy American property, but would make war with England if necessary to save the independence of Mr. Paul Kruger and his associates.

Complains of the Hub.

Baltimore American: Boston wrestled with phonetic spelling until she discovered that all her erudition could not tell whether "dikshunari" was the name of a book or of a Boer battlefield.

Beauty Not a Requisite.

St. Louis Republic: Old An of China may not be as beautiful, but she's causing far more trouble than can ever be charged to the account of Helen of Troy.

Active Factors.

Denver Post: One hundred and twenty-nine corset factories keep the women out of shape and the physicians out of the poverty class.

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